

Claims

- [c1] An open top glass vessel for aerating, filtering and dispensing wine comprising: a gravity fed container to collect and store wine, a glass sphere (containing a liquid medium) to introduce air to the wine as wine passes over the glass surface, a stainless steel mesh to trap sediment and other debris normally introduced during the process of pouring wine from a bottle, and a valve to activate the flow of wine from the vessel to a drinking glass.
- [c2] A structure to support apparatus described in claim 1. This structure may be artistic in nature and made of any suitable material to support said apparatus.
- [c3] The removal of the filtering mechanism in claim 1 and repositioning the glass sphere enables the sphere to seal the opening of the vessel and protect the contents from foreign debris.
- [c4] The glass sphere in claim 1 may be frozen and repositioned at the opening of the vessel to assist in cooling wine as wine passes over the its surface.
- [c5] The valve in claim 1 is spring loaded and as such prevents the flow of wine through the valve opening. The

lever that protrudes from the valve allows the flow of wine once the lever is pushed upwards by either the rim of a glass or by another manual means.